

# San Antonio Missions

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## Fourth Grade: A Day in the Life

### Mission San Jose - Visit Outline

#### I. Resource Protection Message

- A. Welcome
- B. The park is an extension of your classroom
- C. Help preserve these historic structures

#### II. The People

- A. the family
  - 1. Moved from place to place for food
  - 2. Reunited with extended family when food was plentiful
  - 3. Examples of food
- B. The home
  - 1. Many different camps
  - 2. Simple lean-to or rock shelter
  - 3. Yanaguana: The refreshing waters
- C. The problem
  - 1. Spanish visitors and sickness
  - 2. New invaders on horses
  - 3. A time for hard choices

#### II. Place

- A. A home of stone
  - 1. From jacale to stone apartments
  - 2. Living with many
  - 3. Permanence
- B. The Food
  - 1. Fields of plenty
  - 2. Beef, chicken and goat
  - 3. A few familiar dishes
- C. The chores
  - 1. Everyone helps
  - 2. Gender roles
  - 3. Mano y Metate

#### III. Process

- A. My first king
  - 1. Ruled from far away
  - 2. Ciudadanos de Nueva Esapana (Citizens of New Spain)
  - 3. Am I free?
- B. School Days
  - 1. Two new languages
  - 2. Three "R"s
  - 3. Vocational education
- C. The church
  - 1. New faith
  - 2. Godparents
  - 3. Some old ideas (Day of the Dead)

## Further Reading For Teachers

### Alamo Chain of Missions

Marion A. Habig  
Franciscan Herald  
Press

### San Antonio Missions National Historical Park

Louis Torres  
WNPA

### The Missions of San Antonio

Lewis Fisher  
Maverick Press

### Spanish Texas 1519-1821

Donald Chipman  
University of Texas  
Press